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CLAIMS

1. An isolated cDNA molecule that encodes a nuclear migration protein in human cells and is capable of complementing the *nudC* mutation of *A. nidulans*.
2. The cDNA molecule of claim 1, comprising the nucleotide sequence:

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1      CTAGAGTGCA GAGCTCCGGG ACGTGGATCG GAGCCGGCGC
      GATGGGCGGA GAGCAGGAGG
61     AGGAGCGGTT CGACGGCATG TTGCTGGCCA TGGCTCAGCA
      GCACGAGGGC GCGGTGCAGG
10    121     AGCTTGTGAA CACCTTCTTC AGCTTCCTTC GACGCAAAC
      AGACTTTTTC ATTGGAGGAG
      181     AAGAAGGGAT GGCAGAGAAG CTTATCACAC AGACTTTCAG
      CCACCACAAT CAGCTGGCAC
      241     AGAAGACCCG GCGGGAGAAG AGAGCCCGGC AGGAGGCCGA
15    GCGGCGGGAG AAGGCGGAGC
      301     GGGCGGCCAG ACTGGCCAAG GAAGCCAAGT CAGAGACCTC
      AGGGCCCCAG ATCAAGGAGC
      361     TAACTGATGA AGAGGCAGAG AGGCTGCAGC TAGAGATTGA
      CCAGAAAAAG GATGCAGAGA
20    421     ATCATGAGGC CCAGCTCAAG AACGGCAGCC TTGACTCCCC
      AGGGAAGCAG GATACTGAGG
      481     AAGATGAGGA GGAAGATGAG AAGGACAAAG GAAAAGTGA
      GCCCAACCTA GGCAACGGGG
      541     CAGACCTGCC CAATTACCGC TGGACCCAGA CCCTGTCGGA
25    GCTGGACCTG GCGGTCCCTT
      601     TCTGTGTGAA CTTCCGGCTG AAAGGGAAGG ACATGGTGGT
      GGACATCCAG CGGCGGCACC
      661     TCCGGGTGGG GCTCAAGGGG CAGCCAGCGA TCATTGATGG
      GGAGCTCTAC AATGAAGTGA
30    721     AGGTGGAGGA GAGCTCGTGG CTCATTGAGG ACGGCAAGGT
      GGTGACTGTG CATCTGGAGA
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- 781 AGATCAATAA GATGGAGTGG TGGAGCCGCT TGGTGTCCAG
TGACCCTGAG ATCAACACCA
- 841 AGAAGATTAA CCCTGAGAAT TCCAAGCTGT CAGACCTGGA
CAGTGAGACT CGCAGCATGG
- 5 901 TGGAAAAGAT GATGTATGAC CAGCGACAGA AGTCCATGGG
GCTGCCAACT TCAGACGAAC
- 961 AGAAGAAACA GGAGATTCTG AAGAAGTTCA TGGATCAACA
TCCGGAGATG GATTTTTCCA
- 10 1021 AGGCTAAATT CAACTAGCCC CTGTTTTTTC CTCCTGAAC
TCTTGGGGCT GAGCTGCAAC
- 1081 CACCCAACCTT TCTTTCCAC TCTTCTCTGG GACTTGTGGG
CCTCAGGGCT TGGGGCAGGC
- 1141 ATGGGACTGG CCCAGGCACA CAGGTCCCGG GGCATCAGGA
GAAAGGCTGG GTCTTGGGAC
- 15 1201 CTTGTCCTCC CCAGTTGGCC TACTGTTACA CATTAAAACG
ATTTGCCCAG CTCAAAAAAA
- 1261 AAAAAAAAAA AAAAAAAAAA A
3. Use of an antisense molecule complementary to a human nuclear migration gene to inhibit expression of the gene in malignant cells in humans.
- 20 4. The use of an antisense molecule of claim 3, wherein the malignant cells are bone marrow-derived cells from persons with acute lymphoblastic or myelogenous leukemia.
5. The use of the antisense molecule of claim 3, wherein the human nuclear migration gene is symbolized *HnudC*.
- 25 6. The use of the antisense molecule of claim 3, wherein the antisense molecule is a phosphorothioate oligonucleotide to *HnudC* mRNA.
7. Use of a labeled DNA or RNA probe capable of hybridizing to at least a portion of a human nuclear migration gene from a sample of a patient with a disease, to detect increased expression of the gene which would indicate the presence of an
- 30 aggressive disease requiring intense therapy.

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8. Use of ribozymes to inhibit the effects of a human nuclear migration gene on human cell proliferation by modulating production of HNUDC through interference with the mRNA produced by the gene.
9. The use of ribozymes of claim 8, wherein the human nuclear migration gene is *HnudC*.
10. Use of antibody directed to HNUDC quantitate HNUDC protein levels in malignant cells.
11. The use of claim 10, wherein malignant cells are selected from the group consisting of acute lymphoblastic and myelogenous leukemia cells.
12. The use of claim 10, wherein after quantitating the HNUDC protein levels, the levels are compared to standards to determine the clinical stage of the malignancy.
13. An expression vector comprising at least a portion of a human nuclear migration gene, and a suitable promoter.
14. The vector of claim 13, wherein the suitable promoter is a tissue specific promoter.
15. The vector of claim 12, wherein the expression is inducible.
16. An antibody to a fragment of a conserved sequence of the NUDC protein.
17. The antibody of claim 16, wherein the conserved amino acid sequence is MVEKMMYDOROK.
18. Use of an antibody to human NUDC to monitor expression of the NUDC protein in human cells.
19. Use of an antibody to human NUDC to detect patients with leukemia.
20. Use of an antibody to human NUDC in bone marrow to differentiate high risk from standard ALL patients.
21. An inhibitor of the DNA molecule as claimed in any one of claims 1 or 2, for use as a pharmaceutical.